**Home support**

Reading – The children will bring home a ‘free read’ book home from school. The children have all been given a reading record where any reading at home can be recorded.

Times tables – Please continue to practice times tables with your children at home. Weekly challenges are set on TTRS with certificates and dojos available! The Multiplication Tables Check for year 4 is in June. The link to practice for the MTC and other useful Maths resources can be found on the Maple class page on the website under the homework tab. The link is also here: <https://www.bictonschool.org.uk/category/maple-homework/>

**French**

In French, our unit is Bon Appetit. We will be learning how to identify cognates and near cognates and use the correct definite article (naming French fruits), to express opinions using plural nouns, to read and say amounts of money in French, to learn the days of the week in French and to identify and use familiar phrases in a French conversation (visiting a French market). We will finish this unit by recreating our own French market. We will engage in French conversation to buy food items from the market with euro currency.

**Computing**

In Computing, our unit is will be Programming – repetition in games. We will be learning to use loops to create shapes, learn about different loops, animate our name and modify a game.

**P.E**

Our P.E for this half term will be Netball and Swimming. In Netball, we will be focusing on ball control, passing, throwing and catching and playing simple games.

**Religious Education**

Our key question in RE this half term is ‘What is it like for someone to follow God?’. We will be learning to explain the qualities that Noah needed to be able to obey God, to analyse and explain the difficulties that Noah might have had in following God, to explain the symbols used at a wedding and their importance/meaning and to explain why God’s promises are important to Christians.

**Maths**

Our Maths units for this half term are Time and Decimals. In our Time unit, we will be learning to tell the time to 5 minutes, to the minute, read time on a digital clock, use A.M and P.M, convert between analogue and digital times and convert between 12- and 24- hour clock times. In our Decimal unit, we will be learning about tenths as; decimals, fractions, on a place value chart and on a number line and hundredths as; fractions, decimals and on a place value chart.

**Art**

Our unit for Art for this half term is Working in Three Dimensions – Sculpture, structure, inventiveness and determination. Our 1st lesson will be introducing artists that are inspired by the things which birds can teach us. Our 2nd lesson will be Exploratory Mark Making – drawing nests. In lesson 3, we will be making nests and in lesson 4, we will be sharing, reflecting and discussing our creations.

**English & Reading**

Our English for this half term is based around the book ‘Where the Forest Meets the Sea’ by Jeannie Baker supported by ‘Rainforests in 30 seconds’ by Jen Green. We will be learning how to build a rich and varied vocabulary, propose changes to grammar and vocabulary to improve consistency including the accurate use of pronouns in sentences, use paragraphs to organise information and ideas around a theme, indicate possession by using the possessive apostrophe with plural nouns and revise Y2 singular and recognise the grammatical difference between plural and possessive ‘s’. Our writing outcome will be to make a zoo information board for a rainforest exhibit. Our reading for this half term is based around ‘Fantastically Great Women Who Saved the Planet’. We will be learning to Identify how language, structure and presentation contribute to meaning and identify main ideas drawn from more than one paragraph and summarise.

**Science**

In Science, our unit for this half term is Animals Including Humans. We will be learning how to discuss how to keep teeth healthy, to draw conclusions from an investigation about keeping teeth healthy and to identify and examine different types of teeth, to identify the parts of the digestive system and their function and to demonstrate and explain the process of digestion.

**Geography**

Our Geography unit for this half term is Europe -

What makes modern Greece such a holiday hotspot? We will be learning to use atlas maps and a globe to locate the continent and countries of Europe and their capital cities, identify different climate zones in the world and describe the climate of different countries in Europe(comparing Greece and the UK), use digital and atlas maps to identify and locate key physical geographical features of Europe, describe key features of the human geography of Europe and use atlas maps to identify spatial patterns and use different sources of information to choose and plan a holiday in a European country.

(Athens, Greece as a holiday destination)

Maple Class Summer 1 Curriculum Newsletter

A polite reminder that messages on Class Dojo are not monitored. If you have any questions about the summer term or need to speak to a class teacher, please see us at the classroom door at the end of the school day. For any urgent messages, please call the office.

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